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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

What is the difference between an "employer representative" and an "added use?"

An Added User is generally someone inside your company or business such as an employee who has been granted access to submit, view or change information regarding your MiWAM account on your behalf.

An Employer Representative is a third party provider, such as an accountant who is not an employee of your company. The Employer Representative requires a Power of Attorney to act on your behalf and will require them to add you as a client through their MiWAM account.

My former employee has left the business and is also the Master on my MiWAM account. How can I update the Master logon on the account?

When an employee/individual who is the Master on the employer's account has left the employer's business, the owner, CEO, CFO, manager, or etc. would need to contact MiWAM Support by email.

miwamsupprt@michigan.gov

The request to change the Master should be on company letterhead. The request should explain what happened to the Master and who should now be the Master owner on the MiWAM account for the business. The individual requesting the Master access must be an employee of the company and his or her title at the company. The request letter should be signed by the owner of the company, if possible, or by someone such as a CEO, CFO, manager, etc. The request must include the employer's UI account number and FEIN.

What is an inactive employer?

An inactive employer's business is discontinued, has no employees and/or have no wages.

I am an inactive employer who owes a delinquency. Can I sign-up for MiWAM?

Even if an employer has an inactive business, but still has a delinquency, the employer can sign-up for a MiWAM account and make payments on his/her balance owed to UI.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

What is a resumed employer?

A reinstated or resumed employer is one that has been inactive for less than 12 or more consecutive quarters.

Also, if an employer resumes his business and has not been inactive for over 3 years. An employer who is inactive for more than 3 years is system terminated and cannot sign up in MiWAM without a new Federal Identification Number (FEIN).

Contact Unemployment



If an employer has questions about MiWAM or needs help with the system, they can call:

MiWAM Support at 313-456-2188

Or

Office of Employer Ombudsman (OEO)

1-855-484-2636 or

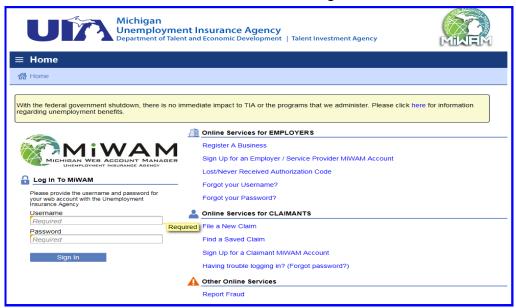
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Navigating



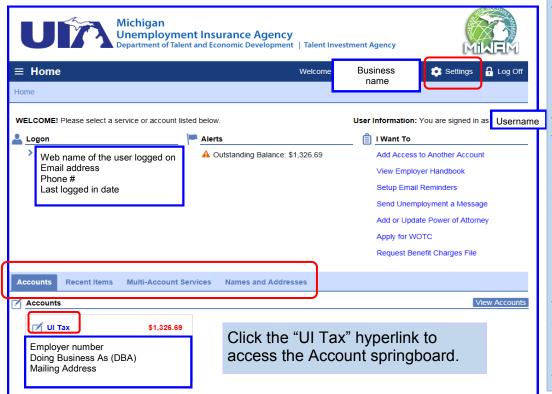
MiWAM Home Page

There have been several modifications to what is now viewed in MiWAM. The screen below is the new modified MiWAM Home Page.



Customer Springboard

All business entity information is stored on this springboard.

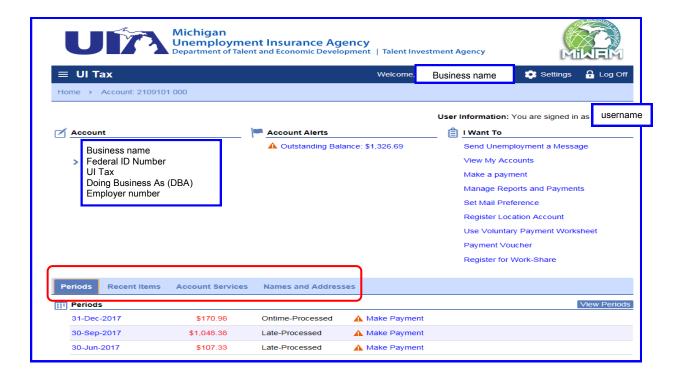


The activities waiting to be processed, all letters, and notices (unread, inbox and outbox) are viewed under the Recent Items tab. You may search activities and change the date to view activities.

However, the
Settings link only
shows more recent
transactions. The
dates can't be
modified to see
more or less
transactions.

Account Springboard

The user can view the quarters, except the name of the tab is now called Periods.



Information for Data Entering

Field colors are used to represent important information regarding what you can or cannot enter into a data field.

White (Default) - This field is in an inquiry or view-only mode that will not accept data entry.

Red (Error) - This field is in error and has failed validation. Hovering over the fields in error with the mouse will display what is incorrect. You cannot save a record in error unless you see a *Save w/Err* action button.

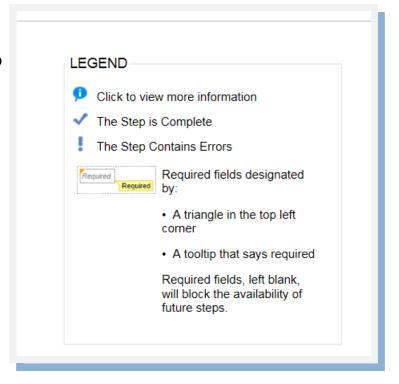
Yellow (Required) - This field is mandatory. You must enter a value in this field before the information can be saved or proceed to the next screen. If yellow fields are not completed, MiWAM will not save the record.

Green (User Enabled) - This field is optional. The information is not required but keep in mind that it is often beneficial to complete as much information as possible.

Legend

The legend provides symbols to assist you when data entering information in MiWAM.

Required fields must be completed first before other steps are performed.

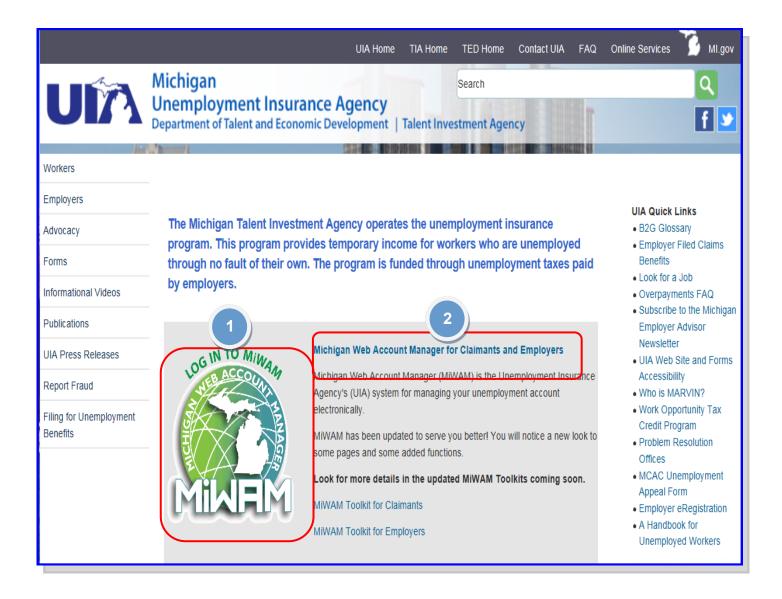


Login Account Information in



How does the employer get to the MIWAM Log on screen?

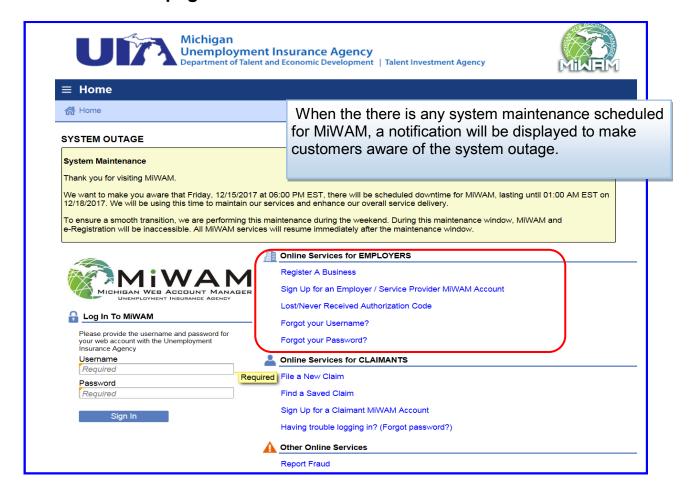
Access the UIA's Public website www.michigan.gov/uia/.



Click the:

- 1. MiWAM logo or
- 2. Michigan Web Account Manager for Claimants and Employers link.

What employer services can the employer/service provider access from the home page?



From MiWAM home page, the employer can access the following *Online Services:*



Register A Business - This link allows an employer to register a new business or report a business transfer.



Sign Up for an Employer/Service Provider MiWAM Account- This link allows the Employer, Employer Representative or an Employee to add user access to an employer's account.



Lost/Never Received Authorization Code - This link allows the employer to request a new authorization letter, if the employer loses the authorization code or does not receive it in 10 days, after signing up for MiWAM.

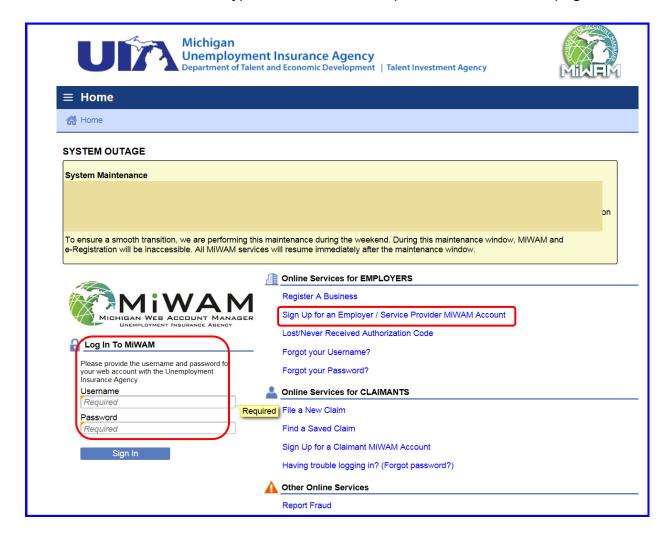


Forget your Password? This link allows the employer to reset his/her password.



Forgot your Username? - This link allows the employer to retrieve his/her username.

If you do not have a MiWAM account, click the "Sign Up for an Employer/Service Provider MiWAM Account" hyperlink. Follow the steps on the next several pages.

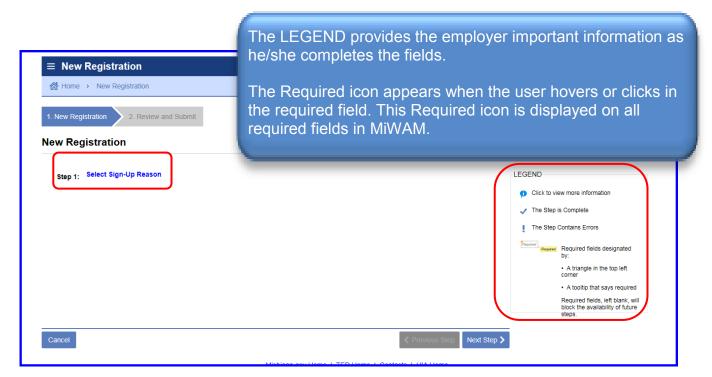


If you already have a MiWAM account, enter your username and password into the Log In to MiWAM section. Click the Sign In button.

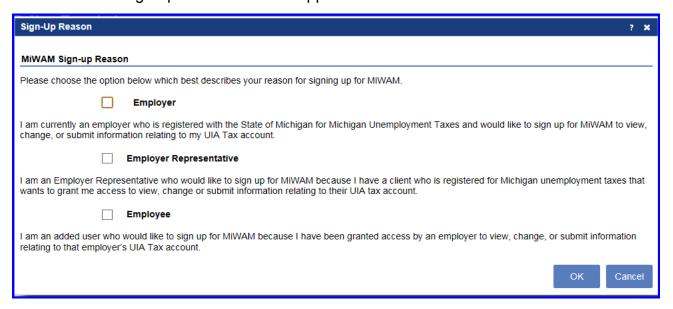
The New Registration window appears after clicking the "Sign Up for an Employer/ Service Provider MiWAM Account" hyperlink.

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Click the "Select Sign-Up Reason" hyperlink.



The MiWAM Sign-up Reason window appears below.



On the 'Sign-Up Reason' window the user has three options to choose from:

- Employer
- Employer Representative
- Employee

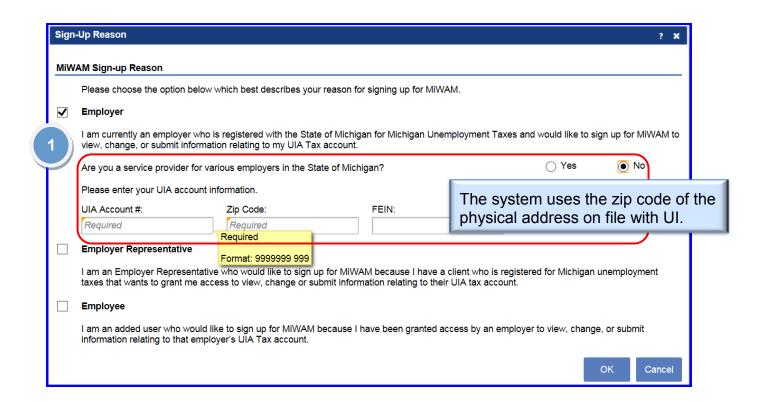
Select the option that best describes your reason for signing up for MiWAM.



Employer

If you select the Employer option, you must have a UIA Employer Account Number (EAN).

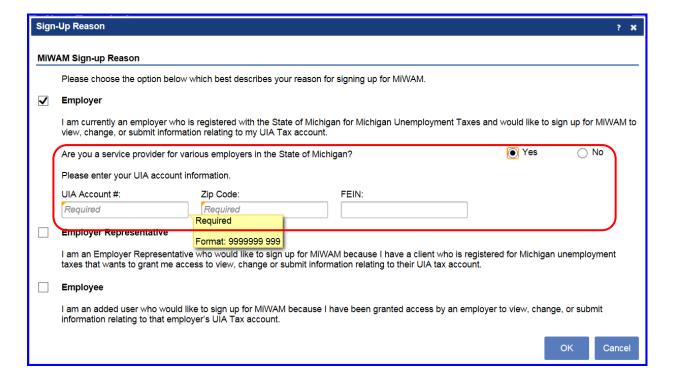
When the employer chooses the Employer option a question appears, which states "Are you a service provider for various employers in the State of Michigan?" This question requires an answer. If you are not a Service Provider for other employers, select "No" to the service provider question.





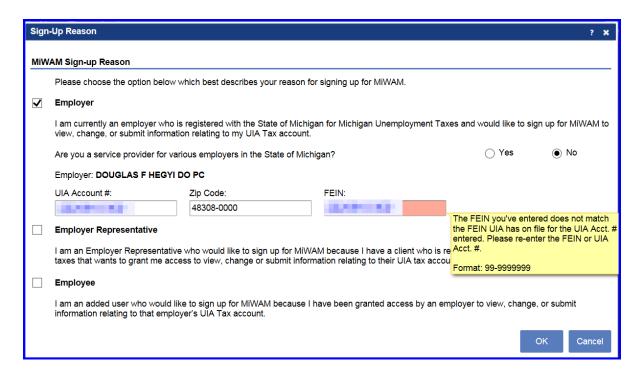
Employer (cont.)

If you are an employer as well as service provider, please select "Yes" for the question, "Are you a service provider for various employers in the State of Michigan?" When this option is selected, enter your UIA Account Number (EAN), physical zip code, and the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN). Click "OK."





Employer (cont.)



If the employer enters the incorrect

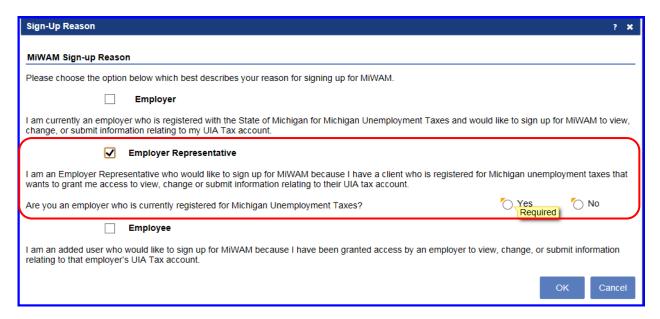
- Employer number
- Zip Code or
- FEIN

the following message will appear.



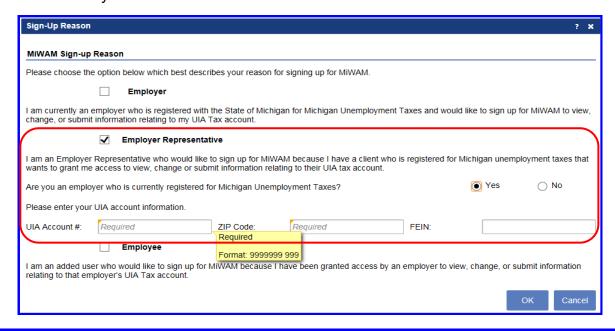
Employer Representative

If you are an "Employer Representative," select the "Select Sign-Up Reason" hyperlink of an "Employer Representative."



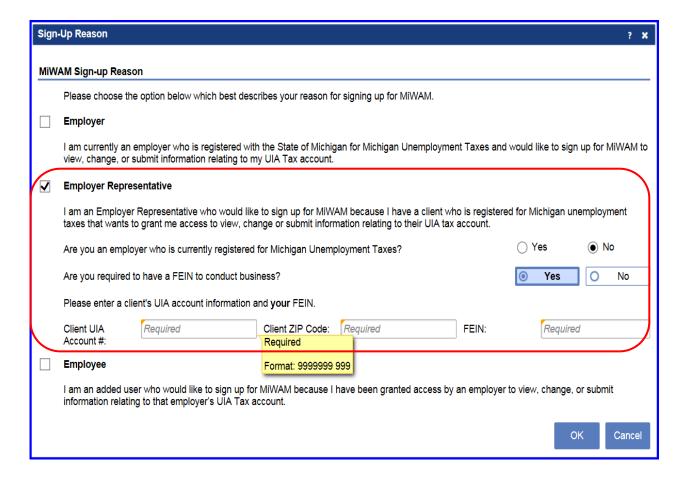
If you are registered for Michigan unemployment taxes, enter your

- UIA Account Number (EAN)
- Zip Code
- Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) under which you conduct business.



Employer Representative (cont.)

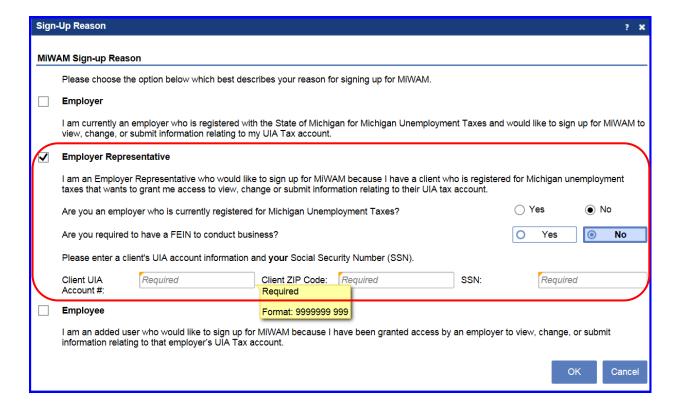
If you are not an employer registered for unemployment taxes in Michigan, you may use your Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) to create an account. Enter the UIA employer account of one of your clients and the zip code associated with the physical address of that client. The FEIN entered is the one you conduct business under. Click "OK."



Employer Representative (cont.)

If you are not an employer registered for unemployment taxes in Michigan and do not conduct business under a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), you may use your Social Security Number (SSN) to create an account.

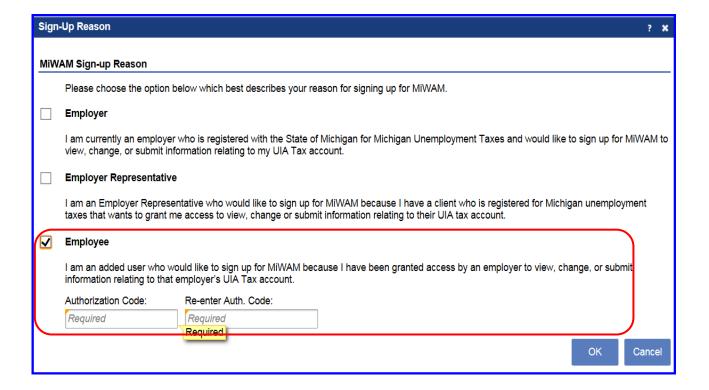
Enter the UIA employer account number of one of your clients and the zip code associated with the physical address of that client. Enter your SSN and click OK.



Employee

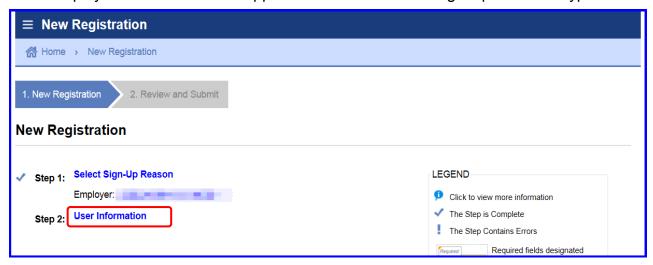
You might need additional access to your MiWAM account with limited access. If this is the reason, the employer may add an employee to his/her MiWAM account. The authorization code would be found on Form UIA 1023, *Authorization Code* which is sent to whoever created the access.

The employee will enter the Authorization Code in the two boxes below. Click OK.

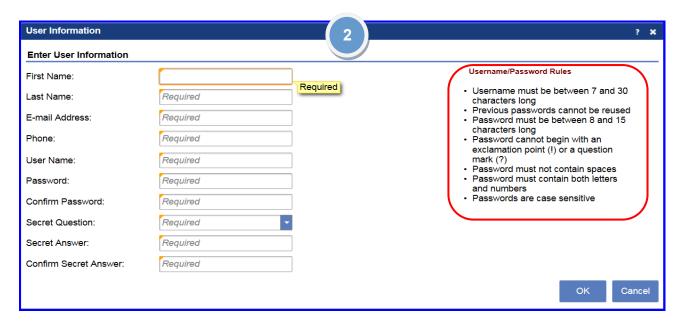


After clicking the OK button from the previous page, Step 1 appears with a blue "\scriv" checkmark. This indicates the step was completed without any errors. If a step contains an error is indicated by a blue "!"exclamation mark that the step is not completed.

The employer's business name appears under the "Select Sign-Up Reason" hyperlink.

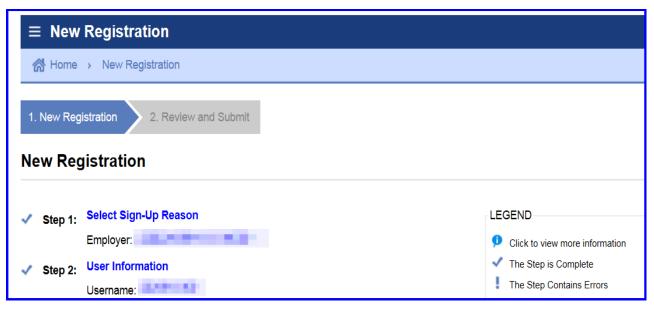


Next, the employer clicks the "User Information" hyperlink. The User Information window appears as shown below.



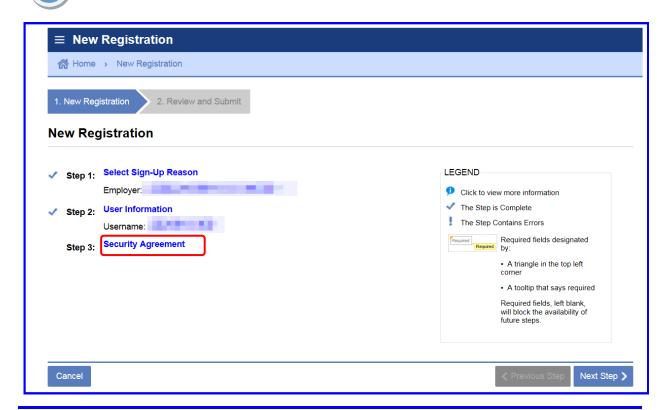
The user enters their first name, last name, email address, phone, username and password, confirm password, select secret question, enter secret answer, and confirm the secret answer. Click OK.

Employer (cont.)



Step 2 now appears with the blue checkmark and the employer's username.

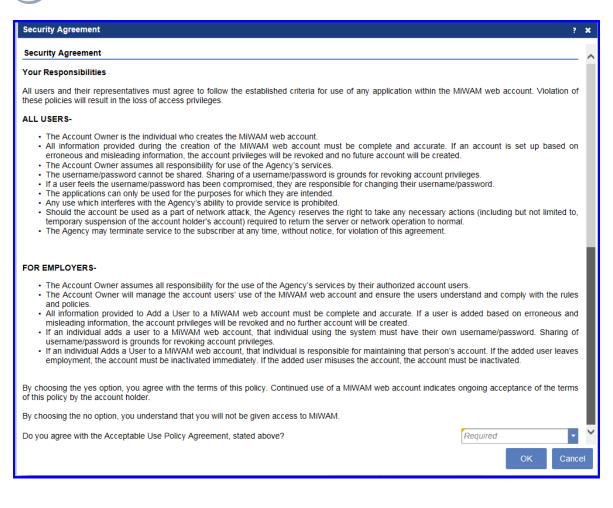
Click the Security Agreement hyperlink.

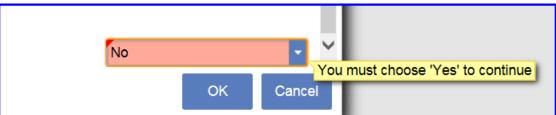


The Security Agreement window appears. Please review the security agreement and if you accept the conditions and wish to establish a MiWAM account.



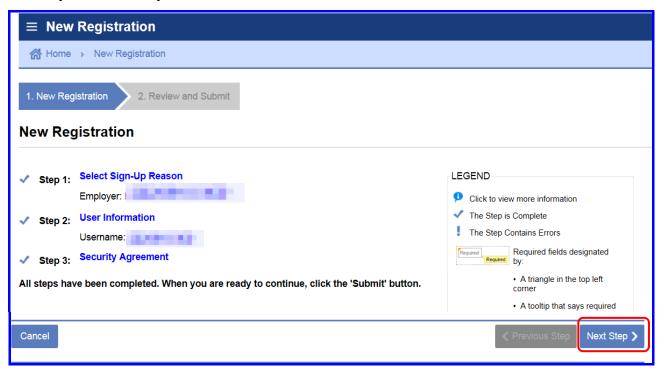
The user **must** select "Yes" to agree with the Acceptable Use Policy Agreement. Click Ok.



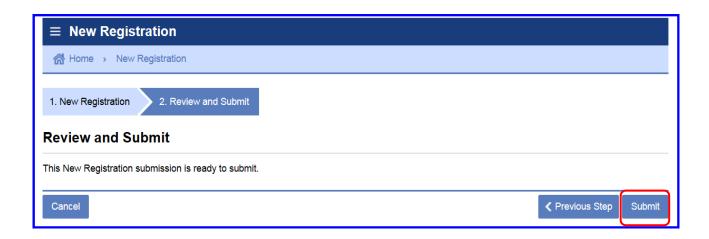


If any of the three steps have a blue exclamation mark, it indicates that there is an error on the step that must be corrected. Open the step up by clicking on the hyperlink name for the step. Resolve the error and save your changes on that step.

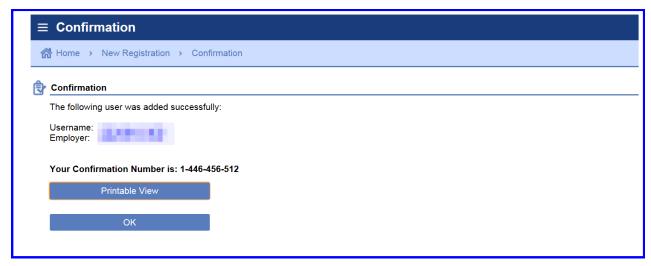
Once all three steps have blue check marks located to the left of each step, you are ready to establish your MiWAM account.



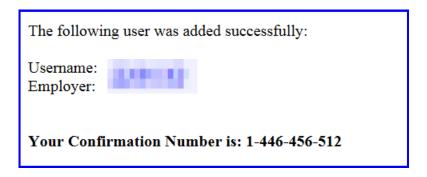
Click the Next Step button. The Review and Submit window appears below. Click the Submit button to submit your MiWAM account registration.



After the user signs up for online services they will receive a confirmation. This is displayed below. A confirmation number is provided for all online services throughout MiWAM.

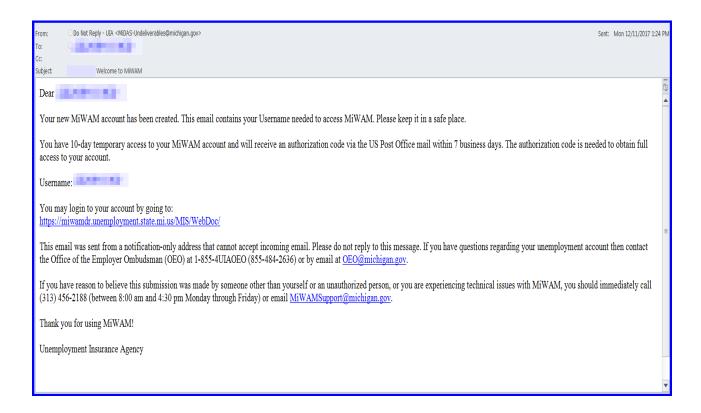


The user may print the confirmation by clicking the Printable View button as shown below.



After clicking OK, this will bring the employer back to the MiWAM log in screen. You are now ready to begin using your MiWAM account with temporary access.

The employer/service provider will receive a Welcome to MiWAM email to their email address that UI has on file.



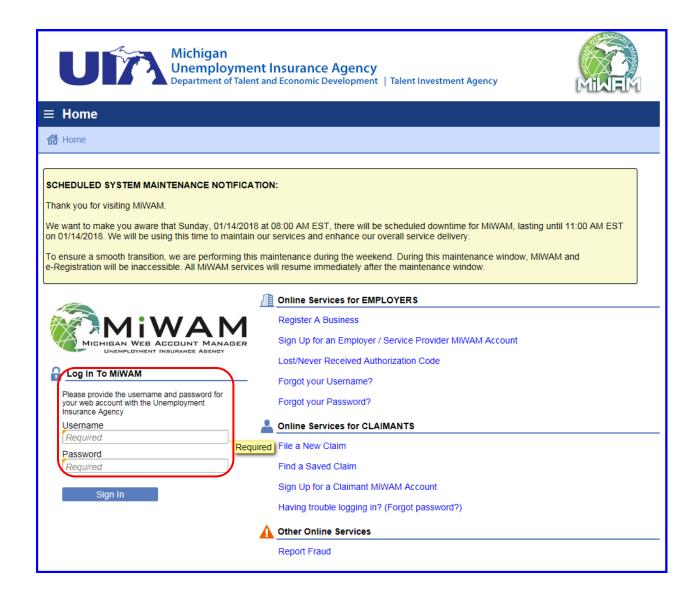
The employer will receive the Authorization Code within 10 days. With limited access the employer can make payments and file reports.

Look for your Authorization Code to be mailed to the physical address UI has on file for your company. You will need the code to access your account after the 10 day limited access period has ended.

How do I log on to MiWAM with temporary access?

When you register for MiWAM, you are creating a limited access web account that gives you the ability to:

- File quarterly unemployment reports,
- Submit payments and
- Manage your user profile.



How do I log on to MiWAM with temporary access? (cont.)

The Home page provides the access to manage your account until you are granted full access with your authorization code.

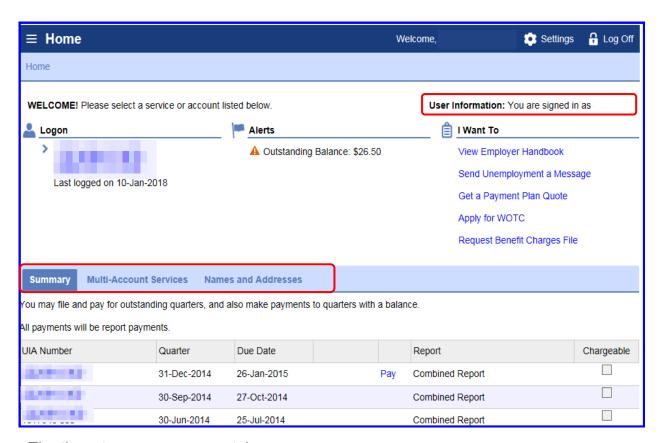
The **Home Banner** shows Web Log on Name next to the word Welcome.

User information provides the username that is signed on to MiWAM.

Logon section provides the individual who created the account log on name, email address, phone and the last log in date

Alerts section provides information to the employer or quick notice regarding outstanding balances to file a report and other specific online services.

I Want To section provide links to assist the employer navigate to online services.



The three temporary access tabs are:

- Summary
- Multi-Account Services
- Names and Addresses

What is an authorization code?

The employer will receive a 10-day temporary password on Form UIA 1023, Authorization Code. This letter should be received within 10 days of signing up for a MiWAM account. The temporary password will provide the employer limited access to his/her account.

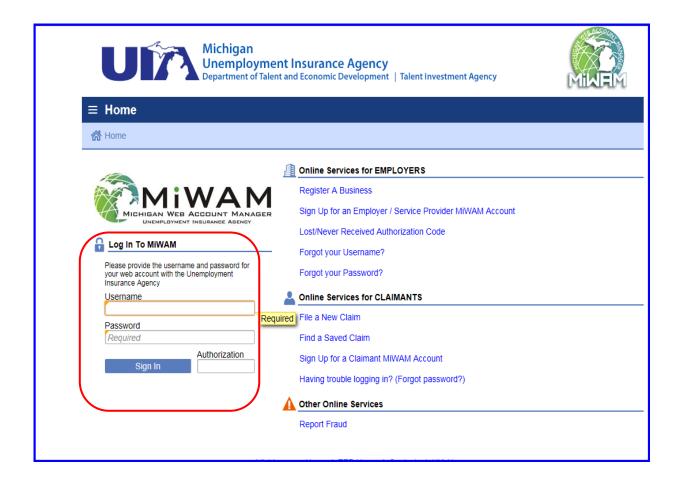
Form UIA 1023, Authorization Code

The letter will be mailed to the employer's physical address.



How do I logon to MiWAM with the Authorization Code?

After receiving the authorization code, access MiWAM from the UI Public website. Click the MiWAM logo or Michigan Web Account Manager for Claimants and Employers hyperlink. (This was shown on page 12.)

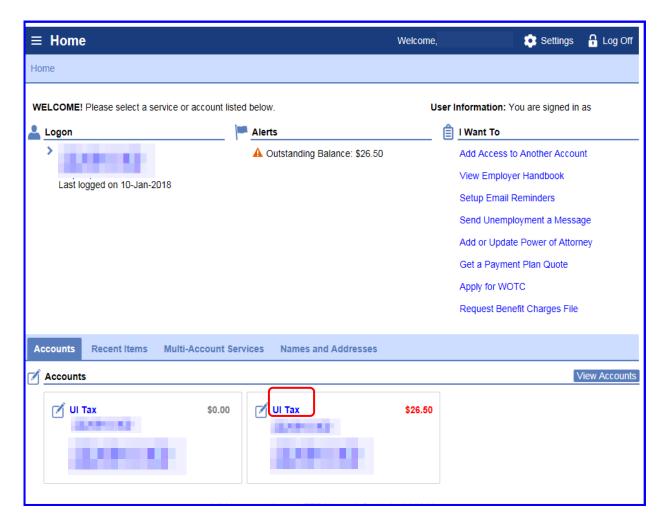


On the Log In To section, enter the Username, Password and Authorization Code. The authorization code is case sensitive. Enter the authorization code exactly as it is displayed on Form UIA 1023. Click the Sign In button.

Once you use your Authorization Code, you will not need to use it again. This will be the only time you will see the Authorization Code field.

How do I logon to MiWAM with the Authorization Code? (cont.)

After clicking the Sign In button, the employer is now on the Home page. The employer is now provided full access to all of the online services in MiWAM.

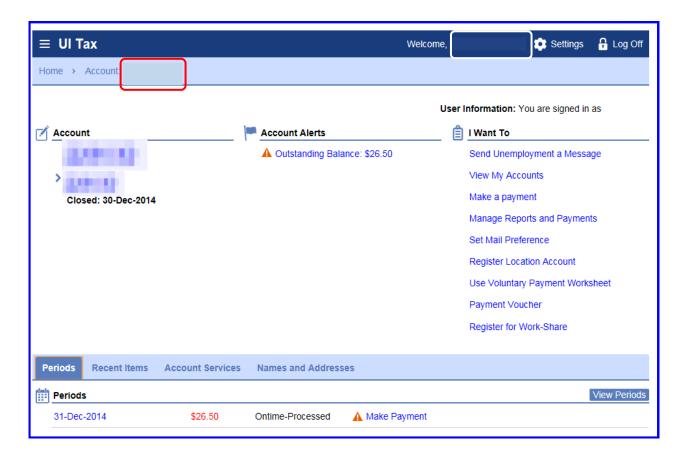


From the Home page, click the UI Tax hyperlink.

How do I logon to MiWAM with the Authorization Code? (cont.)

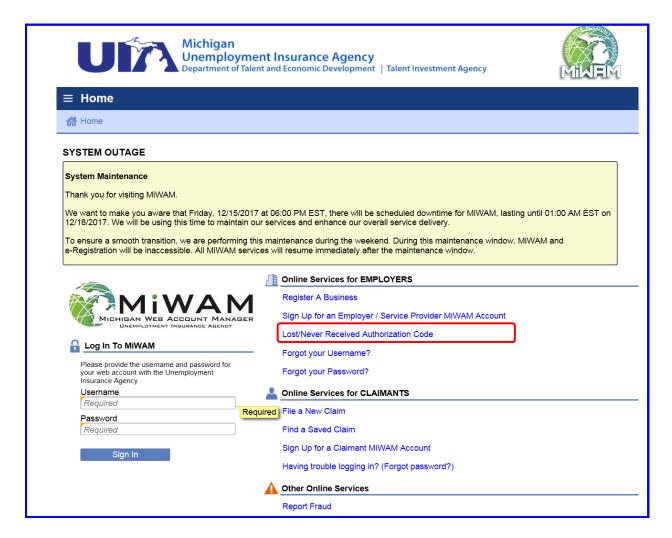
The UI Tax springboard provides the employer with full access of all the online services in MiWAM.

- UI Tax Banner provides the Web Name is next to Welcome.
- Home Banner provides the Employer Account Number.
- Account section provides the individual who created the account log on name, email address, phone and the last log in date
- **Account Alerts** section provides information to the employer regarding outstanding balances to file a report and other specific online services.
- I Want To section provides links to assist the employer navigate to specific online services.



I Lost my Authorization Code?

If you lost or did not receive the Authorization Code after the 10 business days limited access period expires, you can request a new authorization code.



Click the "Lost/Never Received Authorization Code" hyperlink on the MiWAM Home page.

I Lost my Authorization Code? (cont.)

The employer must enter their email address and UIA employer number, including the three trailing zeroes to request a new authorization letter. Click the Next Step button. The Request Authorization Letter window appears with a Submit button. Next, click the Submit button. The Request Authorization Letter Confirmation window appears with a confirmation number.



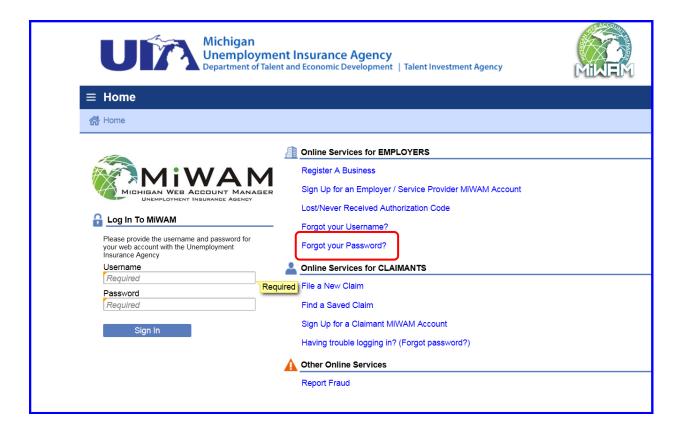
If you requested a new authorization letter and UI mailed the authorization letter within the last 10 days, the employer will receive a message as shown below.



You must wait for the 10 business days to receive the Authorization Code. If you do not receive Authorization after 10 days, request another authorization code through MiWAM.

How do I reset my password?

Access the MiWAM Log In screen. Under the "Online Services for Employers", click on the "Forgot your Password?" hyperlink.

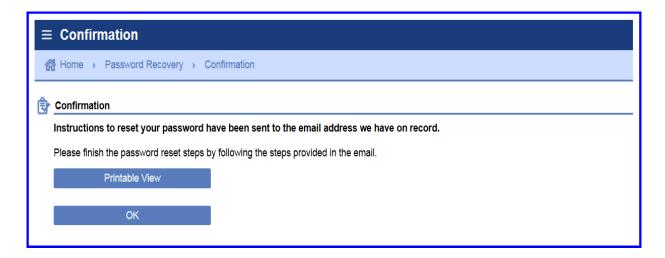


In the Password Recovery window shown below, type your Username in the empty field and then click on the "Reset Password" button.



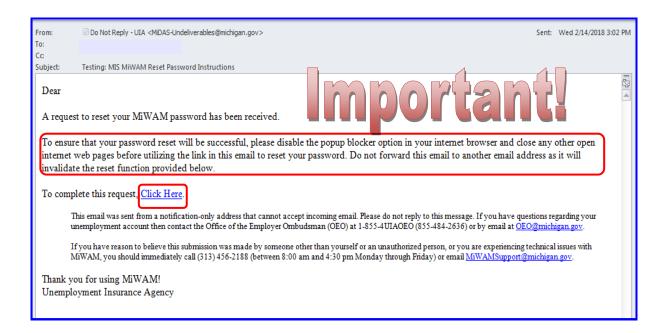
How do I reset my password? (cont.)

After you click Reset Password button you will see the Confirmation window. On the Confirmation Window click the OK button.



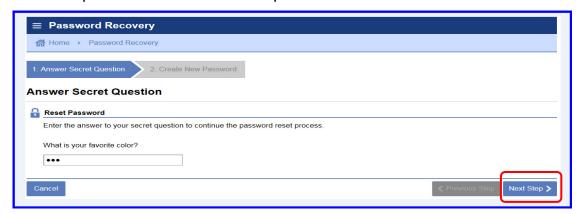
You will receive instructions in your email that UI has on file for you. Access your email and follow the instructions in the email to reset your password. In your web browser, make sure to disable your popup blocker option.

Click the Click Here link in the email to reset your MiWAM password.



How do I reset my password? (cont.)

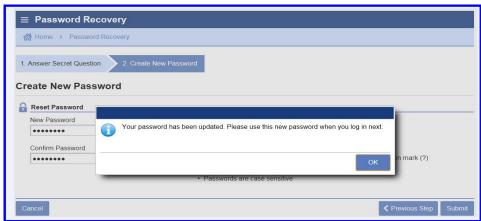
After clicking the Click Here link, the Password Recovery springboard appears. Enter your secret question. Click the Next Step button.



After clicking the Next Step button, the Password Recovery springboard appears. Enter your new password and confirm the new password. Click the Submit button.



The Password Recovery springboard appears, grayed out with an acknowledge window that your password was updated. Click Ok.



Does my password expire?

The MiWAM user's password will expire annually. The MiWAM user will receive a prompt when their password is past the expiration date.



When the employer/service provider enters his/her username and the expired password, the Password Reset window appears.



Enter the new password and confirm the new password. Click the Submit button.

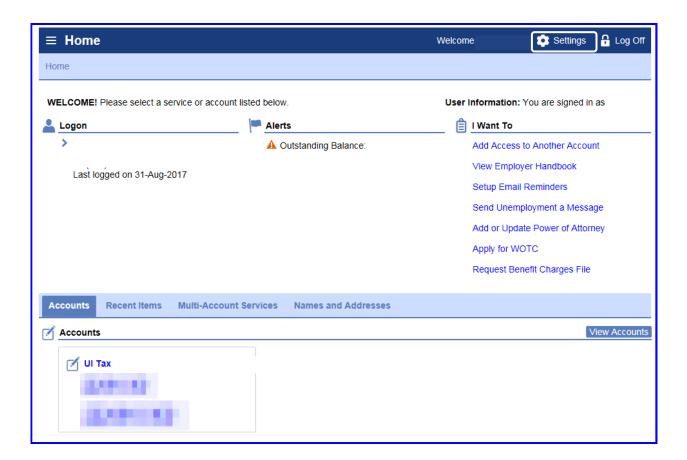
Does my password expire? (cont.)

The window below acknowledges that your password has been updated. You may now log in to MiWAM with the new password.



How do I change my password?

The employer may change his/her password before the password expires. Click on the "Settings" hyperlink, from the Home page.



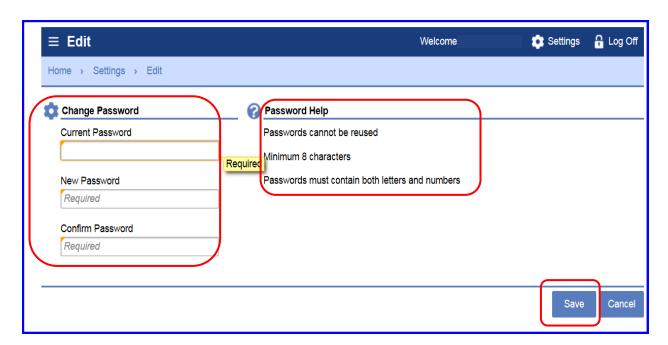
How do I change my password? (cont.)

In the Settings window under the **Profile** tab, click on the Change password hyperlink.



In the Edit window, the MiWAM user should follow the steps below to change his/her password.

- 1. Enter the Current Password.
- Enter the New Password.
- 3. Enter the New password in the Confirm Password field.
- 4. Click the Save button.



Note: The user should pay attention to the Password Help information on the right side of the Edit window.

How do I change my password? (cont.)

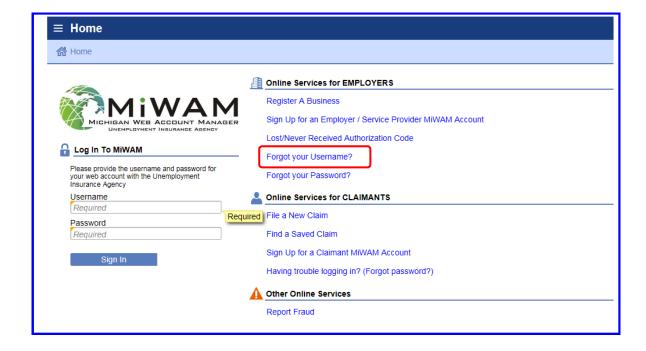
After clicking the Save button, the window below is displayed to make the user aware that his/her password was updated.



The new password can be used immediately to access MiWAM.

How do I retrieve my username?

If you have forgotten your username, click on the "Forgot your Username" hyperlink on the Home MiWAM window to receive your username in your email.



How do I retrieve my username? (cont.)

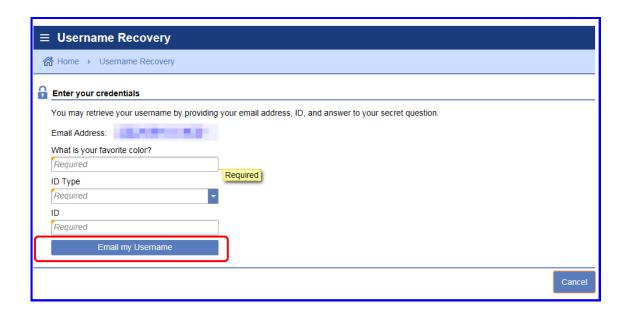
Enter your current email address.



Click the Next button.

Enter the answer to your:

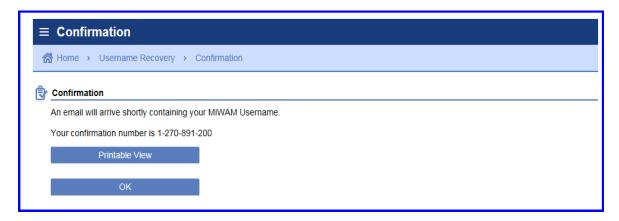
- Secret Question,
- ID Type and
- UI Account Number (EAN).



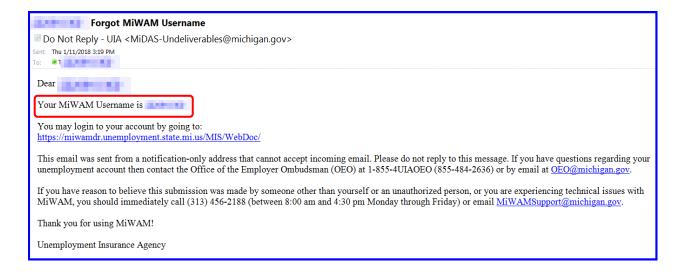
Click the Email my Username button.

How do I retrieve my username? (cont.)

After you click the Enter my Username button, you will receive a confirmation number. The confirmation number verifies that you have requested your username.



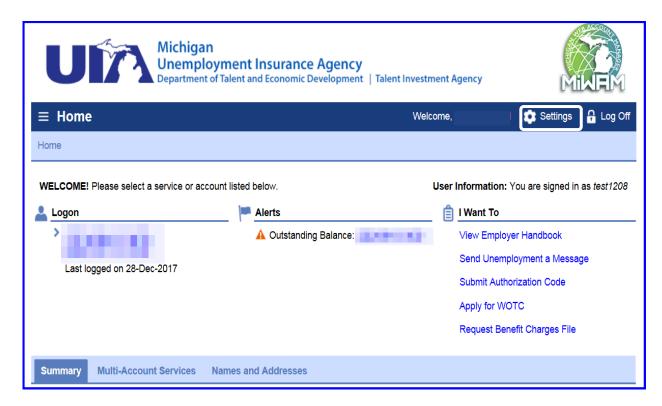
Your username will be emailed to you within a few moments. A link to MiWAM is included in the email to log on to MiWAM.



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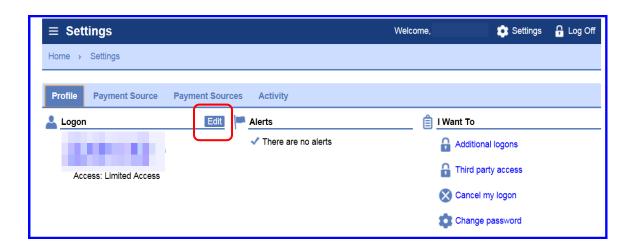
How do I update my username?

From the home page screen, click the "Settings" hyperlink.



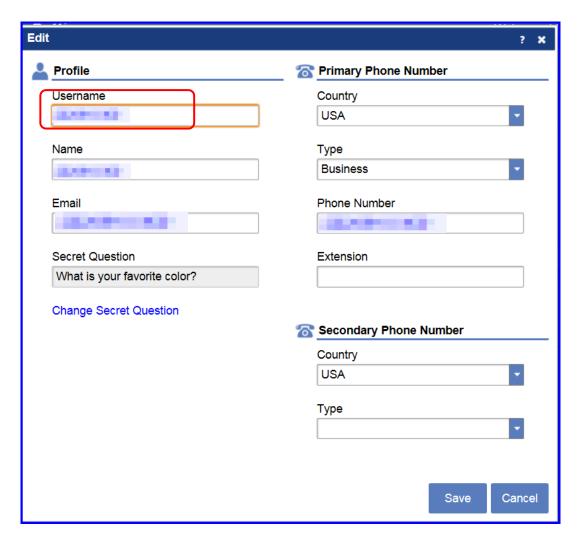
The employer may update email, secret question and phone number, as well as add another phone or fax number from their MiWAM Profile.

Click the Edit button.

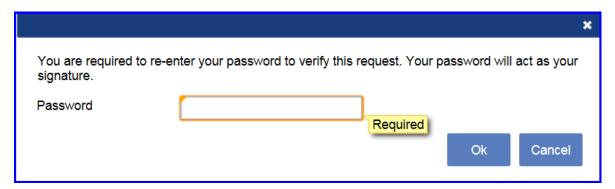


How do I update my username? (cont.)

The employer Profile is displayed in the Edit window.

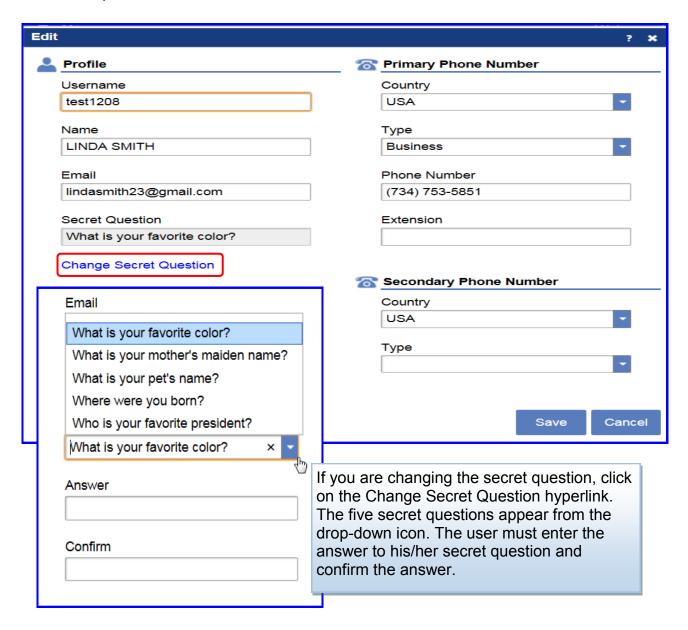


The user may update the username and click the Save button. The user will need to enter their MiWAM password in the window below. Next, click Ok.



How do I update my secret question, email, or Profile Information?

The secret question, email address, phone number and fax number updates can be performed from the Edit window just like the username that was displayed on the previous page. The user can enter the appropriate information in the field that he/she wants to update.



Click the Save button. Next, the MiWAM password verification window appears. Enter your MiWAM password and click OK.

When you update your profile you will receive an email to make you aware that your profile was changed by you.

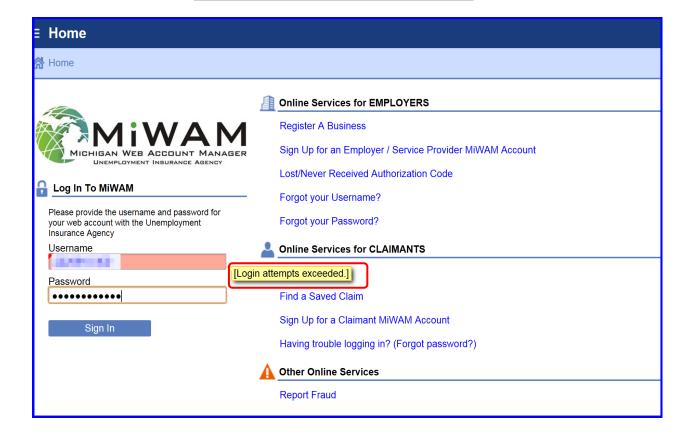
I cannot log on to my account. I get a message "Login attempts exceeded." How can I resolve this issue?

The "Locked-Out" rules for MiWAM are:

- Three failed attempts to use his/her password to log in.
- Three failed attempts to answer his/her secret question.

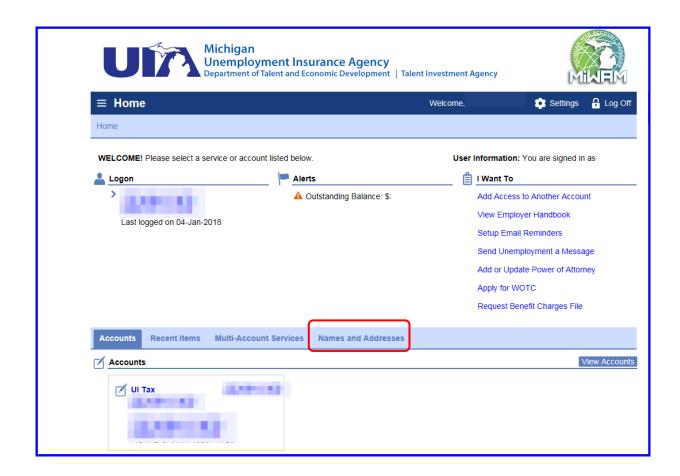
If a user attempts to login more than three times, the account is locked out after three unsuccessful login attempts. The Locked-Out message will display "Login attempts exceeded."

The user would need to contact MiWAM Support to unlock the account @ (313) 456-2188.



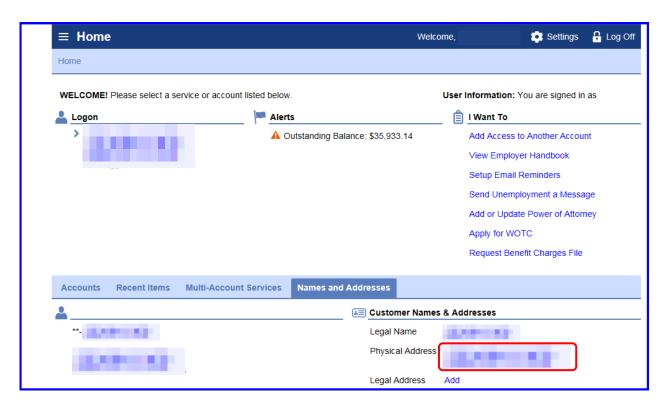
How can I change my address?

If you have Master access to your account, you can change your Physical and Legal addresses and the feature is accessible through the Names and Addresses tab on the Home springboard.



From the Home springboard, click the Names and Addresses tab.

The system will process the address change overnight.



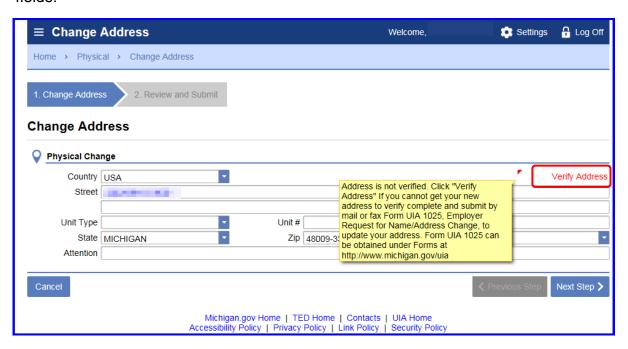
In the Customer Names & Addresses section, you may also add a legal address, if necessary. To change the physical address, click the physical address hyperlink.

The Physical address window appears with the employer's current address. Click the "Change this address" hyperlink.



The employer's current address will be displayed in the Change Address window.

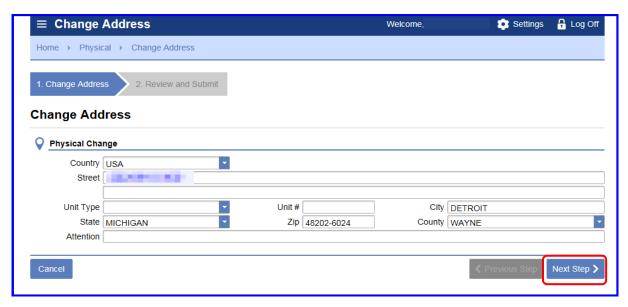
Click on the yellow sticky note to edit the address. The sticky note will move to the right side of the Change Address window. Enter the new address in the appropriate fields.



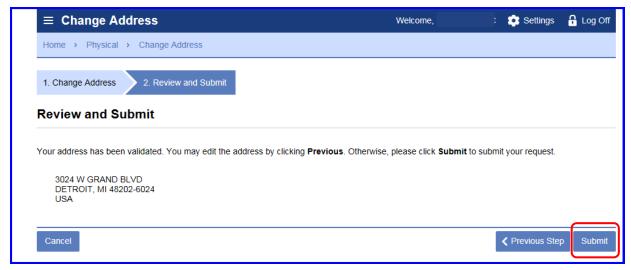
Click the Verify Address to verify your address. The Address Search window appears as shown below.



The Change Address window displays the verified address.



Click the Next Step button. If the address is entered incorrectly due to spelling or typo errors, the address will not be validated by the United States Postal Service (USPS) database.



The Change Address window displays the validated address. The Previous Step button is used to edit the address if the address is not correct. If the address is correct, click the Submit button.

The system will process the address change overnight and you will see your updated Physical address the following day.

After submitting the physical address, a confirmation is displayed with your confirmation number. The confirmation has a printable view for your records.



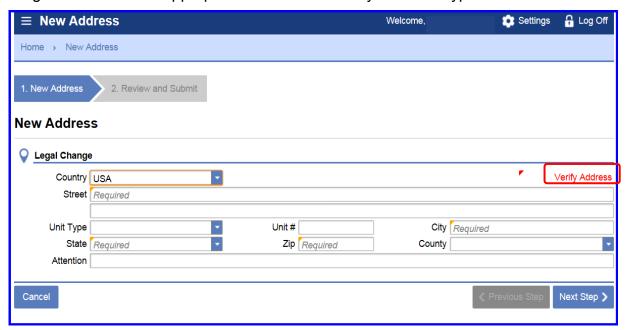
How can I add a Legal address?

From the Names and Addresses tab the Legal address can be added. Click the Add hyperlink next to the Legal Address.

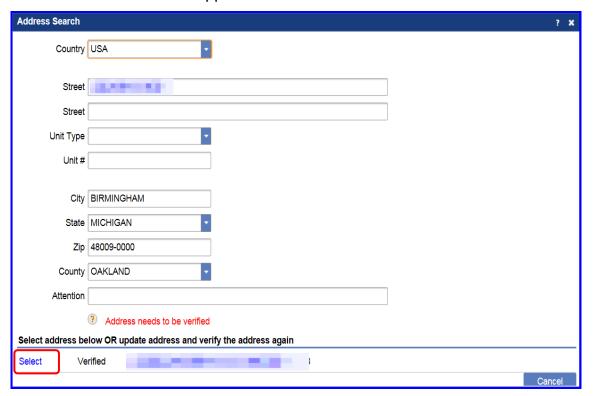


How can I add a Legal address?

The New Address window appears after clicking on the Add hyperlink. Enter the Legal address in the appropriate fields. Click Verify Address hyperlink.



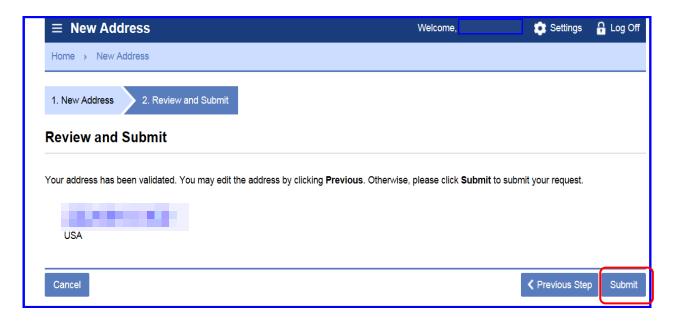
The Address Search window appears with the verified address.



The address must be verified. Click the Select hyperlink to validate the address.

How can I add a Legal address? (cont.)

The New Address window displays the validated address. Click the Submit button.

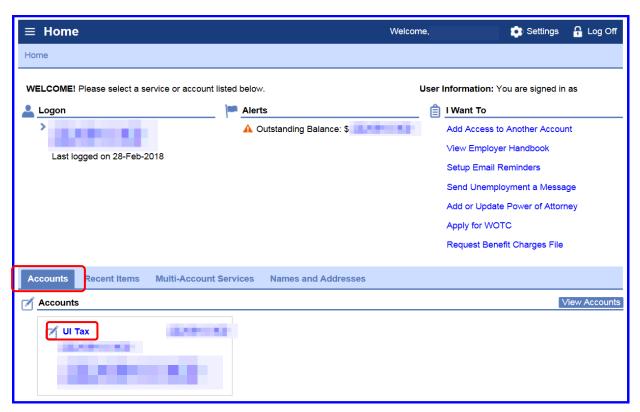


The Confirmation window appears with the New Address confirmation number.

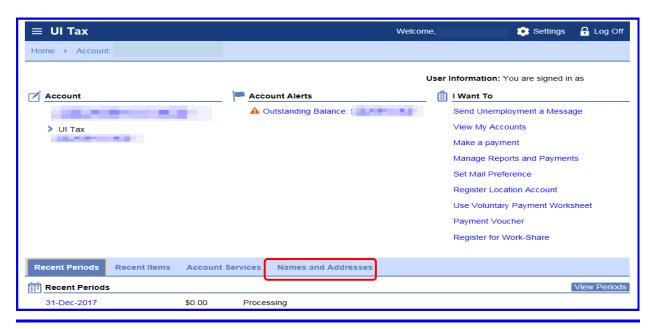


How do I change my mailing address?

The employer must have full MiWAM access to change his/her mailing address. From the Home springboard in MiWAM and the Accounts tab, click the UI Tax hyperlink.

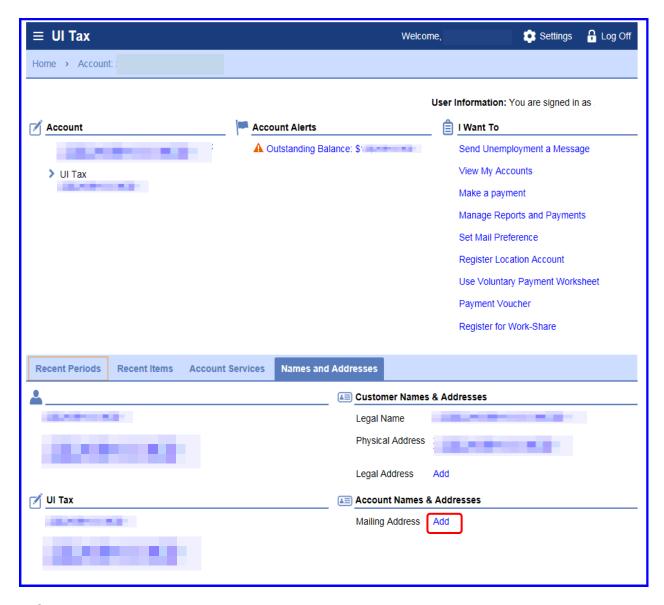


After clicking the UI Tax hyperlink, the UI Tax springboard appears. Click the Names and Addresses tab.



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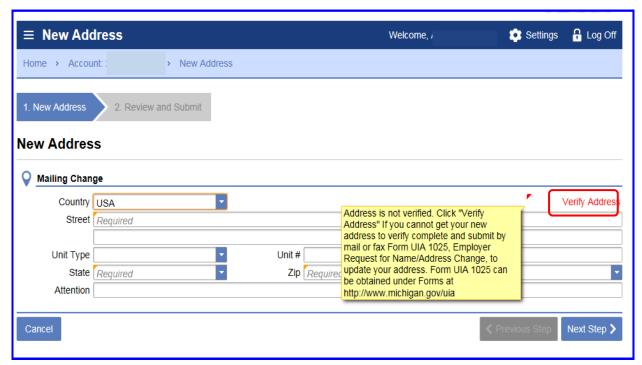
How do I change my mailing address? (cont.)



Click the Add hyperlink next to the Mailing Address.

How do I change my mailing address? (cont.)

The New Address window appears after clicking the Add hyperlink. Enter the mailing address in the appropriate fields.



Click Verify Address. The Address Search window appears.

The New Address window displays the validated address. Click the Submit button.

The Confirmation window appears with the New Address confirmation number.

The system will process the address change overnight and you will see your updated Mailing address the following day.